

SUBSTITUTE SPECIFICATION

IMPACT ADDITIVE OF THE CORE/SHELL TYPE

FOR THERMOPLASTIC POLYMERS

This application is a divisional application of US Ser. No. 738,768, filed October 28, 1996 and resulting in US Pat. No. 5,773,520.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

The invention relates to an impact additive

of the core/shell type as well as to a composition containing a thermoplastic polymer, in particular a vinyl chloride homopolymer or a copolymer mostly containing vinyl chloride, an impact additive of the core/shell type and optionally other additives.

Some synthetic resins, in particular resins 15 based on poly(vinyl chloride) or on a copolymer mostly containing vinyl chloride, are widely used in the building industry, in particular due to their low cost and to their good physical and/or chemical properties.

Nevertheless, they exhibit low impact strengths at ambient temperature or at low temperature or again also after ageing.

It has been proposed to overcome these defects by incorporating, in these thermoplastic resins, products known as impact additives which are generally polymers exhibiting a degree of elastomeric properties.

A description is given in Patent US 3,678,133 of an impact additive of the core/shell type composed

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